AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the second paragraph on page 3 beginning at line 10 with the following:

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In one embodiment of the present invention, a document retrieval system comprises a document processing engine which is configured to extract search keys or internal characteristics from a plurality of files. A speech recognition engine is also included which is configured to convert spoken ~~characteristics~~words associated with each of the files, to spoken characteristic~~s~~ ~~data~~. Further included is a data structure which associates the search keys or internal characteristics and the spoken characteristics with the file name in metadata. A search engine is also included which is configured to search the internal characteristics of the metadata for the spoken characteristics to identify the associated files.